Alster 5 1/10/02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

DEC 2 0 2001 😩

Examiner:

L. Thanh

Jeffrey A. Steward el

Serial No.:

09/475,548

Art Unit:

3763

Filed:

December 30, 1999

Title: Medical Assembly With Transducer For Local Delivery Of A Therapeutic

Substance And Method Of Using Same

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Thanh:

This is a response to the Office Action dated 7/27/01, which has a statutorily shortened period for response that ended 10/27/01. An accompanying petition requests a two-month extension of time, extending the period for response to 12/27/01.

Attached hereto are a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims (Appendix A), a marked-up version of a substitute specification (Appendix B), and an un-marked version of a substitute specification (Appendix C). Marked-up amended drawings are filed in a separate paper in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

12/31/2001 JADDO1

00000010 071850 09475548

02 FC:102 03 FC:103 84.00 CH 90.00 CH KECEIVED

JAN - 7 2002

0:3700 MAIL ROOM

SanFrancisco/47407.1

ı